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LEAR'S MURDERER IMPLICATES OTHERS

Body in City Hospital Dissecting-Room and Autopsy Cannot Be Made.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) BALTIMORE, MD., March 13.—Some light was thrown to-day on the alleged murder of C. F. Lear, of Portsmouth, who was killed in Baltimore, Feb. 17th, at Highlandtown, a suburb of Baltimore, made a statement in which he implicated Charles Donnelly, Nick Keller, James Smith and John Smith, alias Big Lew, all of whom are being held as witnesses in the case.

BOILER EXPLODES TWO DEAD; ONE HURT

Sawmill Some Distance from Lunenburg Courthouse Wrecked.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) MEHERRIN, VA., March 13.—A sawmill, situated a few miles from Lunenburg Courthouse, and operated by Mr. Sam Rain, blew up yesterday evening and killed his brother-in-law, Mr. Stump, who was working with him, and terribly wounded Mr. Walker, who was firing the boiler. This mill has been in operation in this county for several years, and a few weeks ago was moved to its present site in apparently good shape.

BRIDGE COLLAPSES UNDER A TRAIN

Engine and Cars Fall Into River. Train Crew All Drowned.

PITTSBURG, PA., March 13.—Three men drowned, a railroad bridge washed away, a county bridge in danger of following the railroad bridge into the Allegheny River, and an engine and five freight cars in the water, are the first results of the rapid rise during the night of Deer Creek, near Harborsville, Pa., on the West Penn Railroad. The dead: W. B. Mikoski, engineer, Allegheny; J. J. Cantwell, fireman, Darlington; J. M. Johns, brakeman, Freeport, Pa.

SPAN COLLAPSED OF "LONG BRIDGE"

Seven Men Were Thrown Into Potomac, But All Were Rescued.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 13.—An entire span of the historic Long Bridge, across the Potomac, which is being demolished, gave way this afternoon. Seven men at work tearing down the bridge went down with it. It was thought by people in nearby craft that the bridge had collapsed, but all seven were rescued, wet and shaken up, but not otherwise the worse for their plunge.

TWO HONDURAN GUNBOATS SAIL FOR TRUJILLO

PURTO RICO, HONDURAS, March 12.—The Honduran gunboat Tumbala and the Mexican steamer Olympia, under charter, both equipped with rifles and cannon and with a large and well-armed force, including American gunners, under American command, left here to-day and steamed in the direction of Trujillo.

SISTERS OF CHARITY SAVE SIXTY INFANTS

HOLYOKE, MASS., March 12.—Six Sisters of Charity, by their bravery and rapidity of action, to-night rescued sixty infants from a burning building, one of a group which constitutes the Brightside Institute, a Roman Catholic orphanage. The building, which is known as the nursery, was practically destroyed. No person was injured. Loss, \$20,000.

Advertisement for Creswell Arrow Chamber Standard Quality Size Collar, featuring an illustration of the product and the brand name.

FATAL FLOODINGS MIAMI RIVER

Three Railroads Washed Out, a Wreck and 1,000 People Homeless.

HAMILTON, OHIO, March 13.—Three railroads were washed out, a freight train was wrecked, 200 persons were rendered homeless, and there was considerable employment and \$750,000 damage was caused to-day by the sudden flood of the great Miami River following rain-storms.

PIERPONT MARGAN SAILS

Off for Europe on His Annual Vacation.

NEW YORK, March 13.—J. Pierpont Morgan sailed on the steamship Baltic, for Europe, to-day for a 70-day for the annual trip abroad, in the best of health and spirits. The Baltic left her dock at 5 A. M. In order to take advantage of low tide, his passenger car went aboard last night.

FIRST SPRING DAY

Vernal Sunshine and Warmth Banished Overcasts.

Yesterday dawned clear and warm, bringing the first breath of spring, and all the day soft summer airs were blowing over the city, though showers were already here. It looked at one time as if it might rain, but at eventide the clouds had been swept away, and the stars kept company with the night.

MOUNTED PATROL FOR POLICE FORCE

The Police Board met last night in regular session and made arrangements for the introduction of the mounted patrol in the annexed territory. It was decided to purchase twelve horses, to have ten mounted officers, with a nag for the chief and one extra horse. There was an appropriation of \$1,800 in the budget for this purpose, and Commissioner Whitely will supervise the purchase of the horses.

FIRE IN ANNEXED SECTION OF CITY

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PACIFIC FLEET CONSOLIDATED

Rear-Admiral Bronson to Be Commander and Chief of All Warships in Pacific.

THERE WILL BE 3 SQUADRONS

No Change Will Be Made in the Locations of the Various War Vessels.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 13.—Complete plans for the consolidation into one fleet of all American cruising vessels in the Pacific Ocean were made public by the Navy Department to-day. The order will probably go into effect about the end of this month, when Rear-Admiral Bronson will become commander-in-chief of everything in the Pacific. Rear-Admiral J. D. Sigsbee will command the third squadron.

Assignment of Ships.

The department does not expect to send any of the battleships now in the Atlantic to the Pacific. The first squadron of the Pacific fleet will be made up of the following vessels: First Division—West Virginia, Colorado, Maryland, Pennsylvania. Second Division—Chattanooga, Galveston, an d two others of the same class. The second squadron will consist of these vessels: Third Division—Charleston, Milwaukee, St. Louis, Chicago. Fourth Division—Albatross, New Orleans, Cincinnati, Raleigh.

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WM. J. BRYAN ON RAILROADS

Says the Public Is Alarmed at Railways' Attempt to Terrorize.

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., March 13.—A representative of the Associated Press to-day asked William Jennings Bryan, on his arrival here to fill a lecture engagement, what effect the Harriman and other investigations would have on the agitation in favor of government ownership or management of railroads. He replied: "The most interesting phase of the situation just now is the refusal of the people to lend money freely to the railroads. The railroad managers say that this is due to hostile legislation, but this is a mistake. There has been no hostile legislation of sufficient severity to impair the real value of railroad securities where this railroad has been honestly conducted upon an honest capitalization."

THE WEATHER

Forecast: Virginia—Showers Thursday morning, followed by clearing and cold; Friday fair; fresh to brisk shifting winds, becoming west.

CONDITIONS YESTERDAY. Richmond's weather was warm and partly cloudy. Range of the thermometer: 9 A. M. 64 6 P. M. 70 12 M. 68 9 P. M. 65 3 P. M. 77 12 midnight 65 Average 67 1/2

Highest temperature yesterday... 77 Lowest temperature yesterday... 48 Mean temperature yesterday... 62 Normal temperature yesterday... 46 Departure from normal temperature... 16

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CONDITIONS IN IMPORTANT CITIES. Place, (at 3 P. M. Eastern Time). Weather. Thor., H. T.

Asheville, N. C. 65 78 Clear Astoria, Ore. 70 80 Rain Atlanta, Ga. 72 80 Rain Baltimore, Md. 68 78 Rain Charlotte, N. C. 70 78 Clear Chicago, Ill. 54 40 Rain Cincinnati, O. 58 40 Rain Denver, Colo. 54 38 Clear Detroit, Mich. 52 40 Rain Galveston, Tex. 72 78 Cloudy Hartford, Conn. 60 72 Clear Indianapolis, Ind. 62 70 Clear Kansas City, Mo. 60 72 Clear New Orleans, La. 74 82 Clear Philadelphia, Pa. 62 70 Clear Pittsburgh, Pa. 62 70 Clear Savannah, Ga. 70 78 Clear St. Louis, Mo. 62 70 Clear Tampa, Fla. 74 82 Clear Vicksburg, Miss. 78 80 Clear Washington, D. C. 62 70 Clear Wilmington, N. C. 62 70 Rain

MINIATURE ALMANAC. Sun rises... 6:24 HIGH TIDE... 1:40 Sun sets... 6:15 Morning... 6:13 Moon sets... 6:42 Evening... 6:13

Mr. G. I. Partridge, of Franklin, Mass., who is in his 84th year, led his famous band through the streets of Cambridge at the head of the Knights Templar Parade.

Mr. Partridge has played the fife since he was 13 years old, and at the time of the Civil War was appointed to recruit the regimental band of the 18th Massachusetts Regiment, and had charge of the field music. Later he helped to recruit Neal Dow's famous regiment.

In an Interview Mr. Partridge said:

"Last April I took a sudden cold, and I was laid up with neuralgia in my shoulder, which brought on fever and took away my appetite, but by using Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey I came out all right, and on Memorial Day I was leading my band, and playing as well. I think your Malt Whiskey is just the medicine to tone up and keep up the strength of old people. Hoping your medicine will prove beneficial to others, I can truly recommend it as a valuable help."—G. I. PARTRIDGE, Franklin, Mass., Sept. 1, 1906.

Despite his advanced age, Mr. Partridge can still do as good work as men twoscore years younger.



POST-OFFICE CLERKS AND CARRIERS GET INCREASE

Pay Will Begin on July 1st, When 19,900 Clerks and 24,227 Carriers Will Receive Additional Salaries.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 13.—First Assistant Postmaster-General Frank H. Hitchcock has made a compilation showing how many clerks in post-offices and letter-carriers will be affected by the increased pay recently provided for them by Congress. The additional pay will begin July 1st next, the beginning of the new fiscal year. The total number of clerks promoted at that time, or as soon afterwards as they shall have completed a year's service in the grades in which they now are serving, will be 19,900. Of these, 353 will be advanced from a salary of \$100 to a salary of \$105; 833, from \$100 to \$100; 3,384, from \$100 to \$105; 1,000, from \$100 to \$105; 4,958, from \$100 to \$105; 2,381, from \$100 to \$110.

BANK PRESIDENT COMMITS SUICIDE

Was Despondent About Financial Matters—Bank Is Said to Be in Good Condition.

CANTON, O., March 12.—Horace G. McDowell, president of the Farmers' Bank of Canton, shot and killed himself at his country home, five miles north of this city, this morning. He was known throughout Ohio as a breeder and buyer of high-class sheep. Mr. McDowell had been morose and seemingly weighed down by some trouble for several days. He had been suffering from an attack of the cholera purpose and Hon. James A. Rice, of this city, was given a hearing by the legislative committee in argument for the purpose of securing a bill for the reorganization of the bank.

Baby on Doorsteps

A small baby, apparently but a few days old, was found last night on the doorsteps of the residence at No. 408 Gilmer Street. Pinned to the clothes of the baby was a note bearing the inscription: "Please take care of it. Some day the mother will call and reward you." The baby was found by a colored man, who put it in a basket and took it to the Second Police Station. The baby was later taken to the City Home, where it is at present.

Policeman Killed.

WILLIAMSPORT, PA., March 13.—Patrolman John P. Maloney was shot and killed to-night while attempting to arrest two men on the Reading Railroad tracks, near Mosser's Tannery. In the West End, Maloney started after the men, and after a struggle a shot was fired. The men ran away and Maloney was found dying.

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MAYOR MAY NOT SIGN RESOLUTION

It Is Believed That He Will Approve Finance Committee Investigation.

ORDINANCES MAY BE VETOED

That Giving a Street Railway Franchise and Another May Fail of Approval.

The adoption of a joint resolution by the City Council, creating a special committee of five to inquire and report whether the Committee on Finance has violated the charter of the city or any ordinance or resolutions in making up the budget, raises an interesting question as to future procedure. Strangely to say, this joint resolution must now be approved by the Mayor, out of whose criticisms it grew, before it will become effective.

There is considerable speculation as to whether or not the Mayor will approve the resolution, but those who know him are confident that he will do so when it reaches him. It has not been endorsed and passed on for his signature yet. When a representative of the Times-Dispatch called on the Mayor yesterday, he said, in a somewhat jocular manner, that he had not fully decided whether he would enjoy writing a veto message on the resolution and reviewing the reasons therefor, or would, in case the resolution, enjoy the investigation. Nevertheless, there is no reason to doubt that he will sign it and give the committee all the inquiry it may desire.

The resolution recites that the Mayor had publicly charged the members of the Committee on Finance with a violation of their oaths of office and of the charter of the city of Richmond in making up the budget for 1907, and directing an inquiry into the recent destruction and the city bonds and any other action of the Finance Committee that may be deemed pertinent. That clause of the resolutions providing for a stenographer was stricken out because it required an appropriation, which the Council declined to authorize.

President Turpin stated yesterday that he had no idea whom he would appoint on the part of the Board of Aldermen, and had given the matter no thought. Both Presidents Turpin and Peters favored the resolution. No appointments will be made, of course until the resolution is approved by the Mayor.

Mayor Would Be Witness. In the event such a committee is constituted and undertakes to discharge its functions, the Mayor could only figure as a witness. Those who know him do not doubt that he would make an interesting, not to say lively one, and that a prosecutor would be necessary. The resolution authorizes no one to prosecute the charges against the members of the committee, who will be members of the Council. That body has already shown its attitude by authorizing an inquiry.

The matters as to which it is proposed to inquire have already been charged in the past. As special accountant and in other capacities, the members of the Finance Committee for fifteen or twenty years, and for a portion of that time kept its records. It is, therefore, not only familiar with its inside history, and is in position to make clear what he meant by his criticisms. The Mayor, however, has not been asked to prove a drawing card, if it is ever had.

Some Vetoes Probable. The Mayor is likely to send the Council a few more veto messages in the next few days, as a witness, granting a franchise to the Passenger and Power Company, on West Broad Street, a substitute for one which was recently vetoed. It is said to be likely to meet a similar fate.

The ordinance creating a special joint committee for appointment of expenditures in the annexed territory is another which he likely to invite the critical consideration of the executive, if it does not elicit a veto. The Mayor in a recent message advised the creation of a special committee to investigate the annexed territory among the various sections should be first improved.

His message specifically applied to the contingency that the city apply only to the annexed territory, to improve the new territory to improve the new territory. The other alternative of issuing \$500,000 of bonds in which event no such committee was suggested. The ordinance was vetoed by the Mayor, the figures being 11 to 9.

The Mayor has already indicated his answer to the Lynch resolution, asking why he has not enforced the ordinance relative to reports of city officials. It is a matter of fact it is discretionary with him whether he will suspend or remove any official, and the Council cannot dictate to him what he shall do.

Together, the indications are that there will be something done in councilmanic circles soon, and the outcome is awaited with interest. The Mayor is known to possess ample courage and is known to be a fighter when he is attacked.

SLOSS DROPS THREE DIRECTORS

Net Earnings Show a Decrease of More Than Two Per Cent. Since Last Year.

JERSEY CITY, N. J., March 13.—At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron Company, held here to-day, a resolution was adopted to reduce the board of directors from fifteen to twelve. The following former members of the board were dropped: Walter G. Oakman, Moses Taylor and B. H. Van Cortlandt. The other annual report, submitted at the meeting, showed that the gross sales and earnings increased over \$500,000, and that the amount available for a declaration of a dividend of the common stock was equal to 5 1/2 per cent, as compared with 7 1/2 per cent, in 1905.

Gov. F. H. Martin, D. D., of Salem, Va., who is attending in a colloquy conference at Pine Street Baptist Church, is stopping with Mr. G. A. Hankins, 508 West Cary Street.

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